



**FIGHTING HOG CHOLERA:** Veterinarian Dr. Duane Demning is shown injecting deadly succinylcholine chloride into the first 25 of 2,500 pigs to be exterminated on James Rentfrow's farm near Jones. The pigs were killed because they are infected with cholera. (AP Wirephoto)

## State Going All Out To Fight Cholera

JONES, Mich. (AP) — State veterinary officials, in a drastic effort to strangle the potential spread of hog cholera in Michigan, have slaughtered 2,500 pigs on a farm 30 miles southwest of Kalamazoo.

The disease that infected many of James Rentfrow's pigs is not known to be present elsewhere in the state. However, officials said Rentfrow had purchased his pigs from "about 100 different sources in Michigan."

WORTH \$79,000  
The pigs were herded into a plowed trench Tuesday on Rentfrow's farm and were killed with injections of succinylcholine chloride. All his hogs, which were worth about

\$79,000 have, or soon would have, cholera, officials said. It is not known where the cholera came from, but agriculture officials said they are worried about its spreading and threatening the state's \$42 million hog industry.

"We don't know yet how it got to this one particular farm," said Dr. John Trumble, supervisor of the State Agriculture Department's Animal Health Division, enforcement section. "This man brought his hogs from about 100 different sources in Michigan."

Trumble said all the source will be checked to see where the cholera-infected hogs came from.

So far, Rentfrow's hogs are the only ones in Michigan to be infected, Trumble said.

Cholera is an infectious, contagious disease of hogs, transmitted from one hog to another through bodily contact, attacking the animals' spleen, liver and digestive system. The disease is not transmitted to human beings or other animals, officials said.

**INSPECTING STOCK**  
As an extra precaution, officials have quarantined all hogs



**JAMES RENTFROW**  
Watches his pigs die

forms within a one-mile radius of Rentfrow's 40-acre farm and said they will inspect the livestock on those properties.

Rentfrow, 30, first noticed something wrong with his hogs last Friday. He called a veterinarian, who contacted state agriculture officials. Trumble said Rentfrow will be reimbursed for the current market value of the hogs by the state and federal government.

### New York Passes Residency Bill

ALBANY, N.Y. (AP) — The state Senate has approved a controversial proposal requiring one-year residency for welfare payments after a bitter floor argument in which one senator challenged another to a duel.

The Republican-backed measure, approved 32 to 21 Tuesday night, was attacked as racist — oriented by black legislators and Democrats. It was passed by the Assembly on Saturday. Gov. Nelson A. Rockefeller proposed the measure and is sure to sign it.

## Orchards Yield Bodies Of Nine Fruitworkers

### Farm Labor Contractor Is Accused

#### California Victims Were Hacked Apart

YUBA CITY, Calif. (AP) — The bodies of nine transient fruit workers, hacked with a machete or some kind of heavy knife, have been unearthed from the peach and plum orchards of this farming community, the county sheriff announced today.

Sheriff Roy Whiteacre said Juan V. Corona, 37, a farm labor contractor, was arrested shortly before dawn without resistance at a Richland Road home.

#### NINE COUNTS

"He will be booked for nine counts of murder," the sheriff said of Corona. Whiteacre did not announce an alleged motive for the slayings.

Undersheriff Frank Cartosceli said all the victims were transient fruit workers, ranging in age from 40 to 60 and that the times of the killings ranged from five or six weeks ago to sometime this week.

Corona was led into the county jail with his head covered by a sweater and coat, his hands manacled behind his back. He was under heavy guard, after his arrest at 768 Richland Road, in south Yuba City.

Two dozen deputies had raided the same house earlier only to find it unoccupied.

The bodies were found—eight Tuesday and one last Friday—in two local fruit orchards.

All were in shallow graves. Cartosceli said the murder weapon was a machete or heavy knife.

"Most of the back of their heads were hacked up, and all were stabbed in the chest area. All were buried the same way," he said.

The first of the discoveries was made last Friday on the farm of Goro Kagehiro, who said he had noticed a hole about two-feet-deep and six-feet-long but thought nothing of it. Then he returned to find the hole filled up and thought someone had buried stolen property.

He called the sheriff's office. In subsequent digging they "uncovered a toe."

The body was identified as that of Kenneth Whitacre, 40, last address Alameda, Calif., across the bay from San Francisco.

At about 1 p.m. Tuesday, on the Jack Sullivan Ranch about a half-mile from the first discovery, a hired hand was working a tractor in a field when he spotted a mound.

Recalling the earlier discovery, he thought it might be a grave. He told foreman Ray Duran, who called the sheriff's office.

The second body was discovered.

**MORE DISCOVERED**  
Searching further, deputies found four more graves close together three-quarters of a mile away. A half-mile in the opposite direction they found the other three.

Deputies said in each case the graves on the Sullivan land were about 3½-feet to 5-feet-deep and six-feet-long.

Late Tuesday night deputies dug for bodies beneath auxiliary powered lights in a drizzle briefly turned into a rainstorm. The

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**SLAYING SUSPECT:** Juan Corona, center with his head covered, is escorted by armed Sutter County Sheriff's officers to the county jail after being arrested in connection with the deaths of nine transient farm workers in the Yuba City, California area. (AP Wirephoto)

### \$560,000 Ransom

## Aussie Airline Pays Bombers!

By IAN MCCAUSLAND  
Associated Press Writer

SYDNEY, Australia (AP) — An Australian airline turned over \$560,000 today to a gang that claimed to have put a barometric bomb on a Boeing 707 jetliner with 116 passengers aboard.

Qantas, Australia's international airline, made the payoff in the center of the city, then was told there was no bomb on the aircraft by an anonymous caller. The plane landed safely at Sydney airport with only five minutes of fuel left in its tanks.

An immediate search of the plane by airport officials confirmed no bomb was aboard the aircraft.

"The extortion plot is similar to a movie recently shown on television here called 'Doomsday Flight' and police believe it may have given the gang the idea for the in-flight blackmail."

In a similar case last August in Anchorage, Alaska, Western Airlines paid \$25,000 for information about a pressure-sensitive bomb which a caller said was aboard one of its jetliners then between Anchorage and Seattle, Wash. with 126 persons aboard.

No bomb was aboard and a man was later arrested and sentenced to five years in prison for extortion.

"Doomsday Flight" also was shown on Anchorage television shortly before the bomb threat there.

The movie's plot involves a bomb set to explode at 5,000 feet

which is slipped aboard a plane. The plane lands at an airport at 5,200 feet elevation to avoid destruction.

#### FINALLY LANDS

The Australian plane landed in Sydney today after circling for 6½ hours while all defense forces and police personnel went on a red alert to deal with the emergency.

Eight ships of the Royal Australian Navy, including two submarines and three destroyers, were rushed to the Botany Bay area on the edge of the airport. When the plane landed it was surrounded by ambulances and fire brigade units. But the passengers disembarked uninjured and airline officials said there had been no panic during the

emergency.

An anonymous caller had telephoned the airport and said a bomb had been put in an airport locker. Police raced to the locker area and found the bomb.

With it were three notes. One said a similar bomb had been put aboard Qantas flight 755, which had left two and a half hours earlier for Hong Kong.

Examination of the bomb showed it was fitted with an unconnected barometric device. If connected, it would explode below 20,000 feet.

Also in the locker was a demand for \$500,000 ransom, or \$560,000 U.S.

The notes said the location of the bomb on the plane and in the locker.

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### Extradited

## Mink Oil Man Faces Charge

A former Stevensville man who started a mink oil processing firm in this area was returned to Berrien County from California Saturday night on a fugitive warrant charging him with cashing a bad check.

Peta Kadriu, 31, of Reseda, Calif., was returned to Berrien County Saturday night in the custody of Deputy Don Jewell. Kadriu was then arraigned Monday in Fifth District court and demanded preliminary examination on a charge of cashing an insufficient funds check of \$176 last Oct. 5 in Benton township. Judge Paul Pollard set bond at \$1,000.

Kadriu founded Laminco Intercommunity Co. at Stevensville in 1969 to process oil from mink fat for cosmetic purposes.

Kadriu fought extradition in the Los Angeles courts for nine months, according to Berrien Prosecutor Ronald J. Taylor. Taylor traveled to California last week where he finally obtained a warrant from the governor's office directing that Kadriu be returned to Michigan.

After the governor's warrant was issued, Kadriu received a stay of execution in Los Angeles circuit court for 48 hours to put his affairs in order, but his attorney used the time to file a writ of habeas corpus to prevent extradition proceedings, according to Andrew Novikoff, chief investigator to the prosecutor's office. Kadriu's bond was revoked, but he was accidentally released by Los Angeles police, failed to appear after his 48 hours were up, was granted a continuance, and finally was apprehended in Los Angeles, Novikoff said. The writ of habeas corpus was denied and Kadriu was on his way back Saturday, Novikoff added.

Taylor said Kadriu was returned to face the bad check charge, but the prosecutor's office "is considering the possibility of filing other charges."

**NOTICE—**Due to Memorial Day all Tuesday Classified Line Ads Must be in The News-Palladium and Herald-Press Offices by 12 Noon Friday, May 28.

### Kennedy Seeking 54th Seat

#### Second GOP Candidate Enters Race

BANGOR — Bela E. Kennedy, well known area grower and figure in Van Buren Republican party circles, today announced his candidacy for the 54th district seat of the state House of Representatives.

The position became vacant May 7 when Edson V. Root who held the office for 20 years, died.

Kennedy unsuccessfully sought to take the GOP nomination for the office from Mr. Root in the August, 1970, primary elections. He came in second in the three-way contest.

The announcement was the second by a Republican hopeful for the office. Francis Finch, 53, Mattawan, announced his intentions Friday.

**DEADLINE JUNE 7**  
Deadline for candidates, both Republicans and Democrats, to file for nomination to the office is June 7. Primary elections, if needed, are to be held June 24 with the special election to pick a successor, set for July 15.

In announcing his candidacy, Kennedy, 52, said, "I am against the continual spending of state and other public monies so that there is a never ending hunt for new taxes and the repeated increase of the existing ones."

"I think we must halt the erosion of power away from local governmental units and keep it possible for people to have a voice in their government."

Kennedy said, "These facts and many others prompted me to seek the 54th legislative seat in 1970 and again now..."

**PLANS MEETINGS**  
"If elected, I plan to hold meetings as often as necessary in at least two locations of this district, at which I will explain all my actions as State Representative and will welcome any questions or opinions expressed by residents of this district," Kennedy added.

The 54th district includes all of Van Buren County; the Allegan county townships of Laketown, Saugatuck, Manlius, Ganges, Clyde, Casco, Lee, Cheshire, Trowbridge, Allegan, Valley, Watson and the City of Allegan.

A life-long Republican, Kennedy has served on the Van Buren Republican committee and is a former committee secretary. He is now a member of the executive committee. He has been a member of the Simpson United Methodist church, 4-H leader, a school board member, a member of the South Haven Hospital board, the school reorganization committee, the agricultural advisory committee of Southwestern Michigan college, the horticultural advisory committee of Michigan State university, and the Van Buren County Farm Bureau.

Kennedy is vice president of the Michigan Pesticide association, a member of the Southwestern Michigan Professional Fieldman's association, a life member of the Michigan State

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### Ship-Jumping Probed

## Greek Seamen Visiting Here

By RALPH LUTZ  
Staff Writer

Two 19-year-old Greek seamen who reportedly jumped their ship in Houston, Tex., and flew to St. Joseph to visit relatives, were put in custody of the relative Tuesday to wait investigation by U.S. migration officials.

State Police Troopers Tho-

mas Stenback and Michael Boone of the Benton Harbor post reported that they were called about 4 p.m. Tuesday by a St. Joseph resident who said two relatives from Greece had just arrived at his home. The resident wondered what to do since the visitors reported they had jumped ship in Houston to make the visit.

Troopers talked to the youths both 19, through an interpreter. They determined that the youths were not political refugees. Nor did the pair have necessary passport papers and visas to travel the country and visit.

Declining to identify the relatives, troopers said the youths were allowed to remain in the home, pending an

investigation by U.S. immigration officials.

The youths were identified as Anastasios Kretsos and Vasilios Eleftheron, both from the city of Thessaloniki, Greece. They also were identified as crewmen aboard the Greek freighter, "Cassian Mariner."

Troopers found that the youths jumped ship in Hous-

ton on May 20 and flew to Michigan, presumably aboard a commercial plane.

The state police post here reported this morning that it will now leave the matter to the immigration officials, expected to be in contact with the youths today. How long the youths last apparently will hinge on the outcome of the investigation.



**BELA E. KENNEDY**

# THE HERALD-PRESS

## Editorial Page

W. J. Banyon, Editor and Publisher  
Bert Lindenfeld, Managing Editor

## Reverse Memorial Day Observance In St. Joseph

The late Nelly Foulkes who for years was the star reporter in our newsroom before being lured away by the St. Joseph Savings & Loan Association liked to regale the staff with pranks that his generation pulled on the older people.

A favorite trick with Nelly and his high school pals centered on the old cannon at the center of the Lake Front Park.

The installation originally included several cannon balls arranged in a pyramid beside the gun.

These cast iron missiles hefted at least 50 pounds each.

Nelly and his crew every so often in the night time would roll the shot over the bluff.

The next day it was the police department's job to lug the balls uphill and rebuild them into their pyramid.

In time this became too much of a good thing for the PD, particularly since it could never put the finger on the pranksters with an idea to enforcing the practical punishment of making the kids do the back hauling.

The city fathers solved the

problem by spot welding the missiles into a permanent base.

During one of several scrap metal drives in World War II, the shot base was donated to the defense.

The other night the park sustained some pranksterism less innocent than the kind perpetrated by Nelly.

Somebody removed the rifle from the doughboy statue in the park.

The St. Joseph American Legion's Auxiliary put on a campaign in 1930 to erect the statue in memory of World War I's servicemen.

This vandalism is the first sustained by the statue in the 40 years it has graced the park.

The motivation could be most anything, from a protest against Vietnam on down to just plain bitchiness.

Finding the culprit or culprits will not be easy.

But we wish the police a quick success in that regard and hope the judge who might hear the case would impose the maximum jail sentence on the guilty.

## Noisy Supersonics

Russia has announced that its supersonic passenger plane, the Tupolev 144, will be flown out of the Soviet Union for the first time to appear in the Paris International Air Show opening Thursday (May 27). The Anglo-French Concorde SST also will be on display.

"Sometime, someday, public opinion will finally say 'no' to the supersonic transport, protests the London Guardian editorially. "And if that point comes now it will be a victory for civilized values." On the other side of the fence, MP Anthony Wedgwood Benn, the former Labor minister of technology, argues that the Anglo-French Concorde is going to be quieter than existing subsonic passenger jets when it enters commercial use in 1974. "Genuine passions for a higher quality of life," said Benn, "are not matched by realism."

Thus the argument is joined in Britain between those who believe that the Concorde will be an "environmental monstrosity," and those whom the magazine Flight

International says must be shown that the Concorde is a "social animal with respect to pollution, be it by smoke, noise, or induced climate changes." This leading industry journal added, "There is no convincing any of the 'people who like daisies,' as the environmentalists have been called, that aviation has improved society more than it has impoverished it."

It is not anticipated that the Concorde will ever be permitted to create sonic booms over populated land masses. The likelihood is that if the Concorde would be too noisy for American airports on takeoff it would also be banned from Britain.

Concorde's battle with the environmentalists began well before it ever took to the air. Three weeks before the maiden flight in 1969, a group calling itself "The Anti-Concorde Project" attacked the allegedly harmful effects of the plane's supersonic boom, its ground noise, and the noxious influences on the atmosphere.

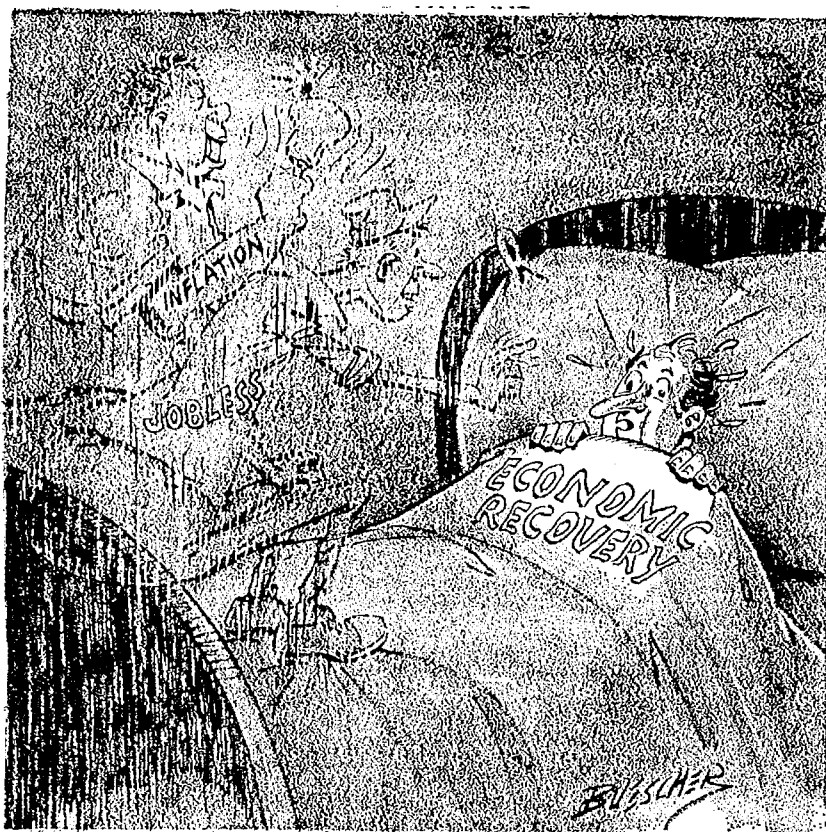
Although 17 bills currently before state legislatures in America would prohibit SST noise and air pollution, the British Aircraft Corporation believes that its bird is within the range of noise produced by current subsonic jets. Thus any regulation which catches the supersonic craft also would affect existing fleets.

One measure before the New York State legislature lays down that any aircraft producing more than 108 decibels would be considered to generate "excessive noise." As the Boeing 747 is exactly at that 108 decibel ceiling, Anthony Wedgwood Benn told Editorial Research Reports in London that he was convinced the New York bill was, "impracticable. It would close down Kennedy Airport."

The British have been encouraged by the comments in London of the chief of the U.S. Federal Aviation Administration, John Schaffer. He said that tremendous progress was being made to reduce exhaust fumes "and I think that between now and 1974 they will make some significant progress with noise suppression." The conviction that these problems could be overcome was reflected in an April 22 production order when France and Britain agreed to produce four more Concorde.

Schaffer told the British that even if New York airports were closed to the Concorde, Dulles Airport in Washington, which is owned and operated by the FAA, would permit the plane to land. Meanwhile it is likely that Russia's supersonic Tupolev 144 will be in service long before its Anglo-French cousin is flying commercially. As Nigel Calder noted in the New Statesman: "The townsfolk of Omsk or Tomsk are not likely, on the face of it, to stage sit-in protests in the local Aeroflot offices about the sonic boom."

## Nightmare



## GLANCING BACKWARDS

### COMMUNITY EDUCATION OKAYED IN LAKESHORE

Adults as well as children will be learning and playing in the Lakeshore schools beginning next fall.

Lakeshore school board members adopted a resolution yesterday afternoon to establish a Community School Education program where everyone in the community can use the schools after the regular school day.

### ROYAL BABY DUE IN FALL

Princess Margaret is expecting her first baby in the fall, Kensington Palace announced tonight. The child will be fifth in line of succession to the throne.

Maj. John Griffin, press secretary to the royal household, said "Princess Margaret and her husband are delighted."

### 21 YEAR OLDS TO REGISTER

July 1 will be registration day for the million of young Americans who have come of age since last Oct. 16 and are now eligible for possible military service.

President Roosevelt fixed the date yesterday in ordering the second selective service registration to further "the interest of national defense."

### CAMP DEDICATED

The new clubhouse and Boy Scout camp of the Berrien-Cass area at Madron lake, near Buchanan, will be dedicated officially on June 21, it was announced today by Scout Executive Oscar Noll. The beautiful new clubhouse now rapidly nearing completion, is the gift of Louis and Fred Upton, prominent St. Joseph manufacturers.

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### GO TO RACES

Mr. and Mrs. George Cornwell of South State street have motored to Indianapolis to attend the races on Decoration Day.

### SURPRISE PARTY

August Pagel of Niles avenue

was the guest of honor at a surprise party in his home celebrating his birthday.

### MAKING PLANS

The A. W. Shapman post is making elaborate plans for the observance of Memorial day and it is hoped that the citizens will turn out in large numbers to participate. The business houses are requested to close during the afternoon.

## EDITOR'S MAILBAG

Editor,  
The Herald-Press:

### OPPOSES LAKESHORE BUS CUTBACK

I have been reading the articles in the papers about the problems Lakeshore is encountering, and the cutbacks they are proposing to adjust their program with the money they have.

As in most cases these cuts are proposed in the area that will cause more irritations to the general public so they will bend to the will of the board.

As I have checked into this area of buses it looks to me that cutting off the buses serves only the purpose of cutting off your nose to spite your face.

As I understand this state aid for transportation, the state reimburses the school district 10

per cent of the cost of their buses per year for depreciation and if these buses are not operated this will, in turn, mean a loss of several thousand dollars to the district by leaving them set idle.

These buses must be paid for and if the state won't pay for them, then the district will have to, so it is hard for me to see where the district will save so much money by cutting out transportation.

I hope that people will investigate this and get some true figures on this.

We all are aware that a millage loss means cuts somewhere, but they should be made in the area that least affects the overall educational picture.

I am for a good educational program, but I think many times the taxpayers are sold down the river by these school administrators, and that if some of these administrators had to operate on a basis of business, things could be operated at a much lower cost.

Somewhere this cost spiral must come to a halt. I am sure that the people of Lakeshore want a good educational program, but they have absorbed about as much tax as they are willing to pay.

Let's all hope and pray that these problems can be resolved without serious harm to our education program, or to the hard pressed property owners.

I have never voted down a millage request, but I think I have reached the end. We all work hard to get enough to live and provide these things for our children, but I feel it is time someone starts thinking about the people who sacrifice to have good schools.

R.R. SMITH,  
Stevensville

Editor,  
The Herald-Press.

### UNPEACEFUL COALITIONS

There were two major organizations taking part in the recent demonstrations in Washington, D.C. The real objective of the leadership of both of these organizations, the National Peace Action Coalition, NPAC, and the People Coalition for Peace and Justice, PCPJ, is not peace.

The Chairman of the House Committee on Internal Security, Honorable Richard M. Ichord, recently reported to Congress: "... both (NPAC and PCPJ) are known to be operating under substantial Communist influence."

The real objective of the demonstrations was, as stated by Mr. Ichord, "... the humiliation of the United States, the promotion of a Communist takeover in Southeast Asia, and the general advancement of world Communism."

Sincerely,  
C.A. MOSELEY, PRES.

Grand Central Industrial Center,  
1310 Air Way,  
Glendale, Calif.

## DR. COLEMAN

## ..And Speaking Of Your Health

A cramp in my leg wakes me during the night. The pain is severe. Can this condition be prevented or cured?

Mrs. H. F., Neb.  
Dear Mr. F.: Almost all of us have been awakened from a deep sleep by a sudden, excruciating pain in the calf muscles or the toes. Although it may last for only a few minutes, this pain can cause a great deal of distress.

The only way to control and prevent these cramps is to find the reason for them.

The fundamental cause is some narrowing, Dr. Coleman or spasm, of the artery that brings blood and oxygen to the leg, the foot, and the toes.

In some it may be caused by arteriosclerosis; in others, it may be spasm caused by accumulated toxicity of tobacco. Tight bed sheets can also restrict the movement of the legs and further impair circulation.

A general physical examination may turn up a reason for cramps. Doctors frequently suggest small doses of quinine as an effective method of preventing these spasms.

Don't worry about the cramp; it will disappear in a few moments. And don't slap the leg; it only makes the spasm more intense. Warm, moist compresses can bring relief if the spasm persists.

When I get such a cramp, I try not to move my leg or foot. Then I gently bring my toes up and almost invariably, within a few seconds, the spasm disappears.

Is handball too strenuous an exercise for a man of 45. My husband plays every Sunday morning and comes home com-

pletely exhausted. Mrs. T. V., Pa.

Dear Mrs. V.: I have said repeatedly that exercise in some form, with moderation, is beneficial to everyone.

Physicians today plan some exercise, even for people who have recovered from heart attacks.

Moderation is the key word. Any exercise that leads to exhaustion loses its benefits — and even invites danger.

There are few more punishing sports than four-wall or straight-wall handball. Your husband must be in excellent condition, especially if he still plays singles.

It is always a mistake for a middle-aged athlete to compete with the accomplishments of his youth.

Nagging won't get him to stop playing handball. A better idea is to urge him to seek the advice of his doctor, who may induce him to find more moderate exercise.

What's the difference between "infectious" and "contagious"?

Miss I.E.G., N.D.  
Dear Miss G.: "Infectious" means that the disease is caused by a germ. "Contagious" means that a disease can be acquired by contact with infected persons.

All contagious diseases are infectious; not all infectious diseases are contagious, or "catching."

SPEAKING OF YOUR HEALTH: Don't pull hangnails.

Dr. Lester Coleman has a special eye-care booklet available for readers of this column called, "What You Should Know About Glaucoma and Cataracts." For your copy, send 25 cents in coin and a large, self-addressed, stamped envelope to Lester L. Coleman, M.D., in care of this newspaper. Please mention the booklet by title.

## JAY BECKER

## Contract Bridge

East dealer.  
North-South vulnerable.

**NORTH**  
♠ A 8  
♥ 9 3  
♦ K 10 9 6 3  
♣ Q 10 9 5

**WEST**  
♠ Q J 10 9 6  
♥ 10 5 2  
♦ 5  
♣ A 7 6 4

**EAST**  
♠ 3 2  
♥ K 8 7 4  
♦ J 8 7 2  
♣ K J 2

**SOUTH**  
♠ K 7 5 4  
♥ A Q J 6  
♦ A Q 4  
♣ 8 3

The bidding:  
East Pass South 1NT West Pass North 3NT

Opening lead — queen of spades.

It is sometimes interesting to note, after a hand is over, how you could have made a contract that failed, and this is especially so if you direct your efforts to discovering how the hand could have been made on a perfectly reasonable basis without knowing the actual division of the unseen cards.

Take this deal where West led spade against three notrump. Declarer won with the king and cashed the A-Q of diamonds, West showing out. He continued with a diamond to the king and a fourth round of diamonds, won

by East with the jack. All these efforts proved fruitless, however, when East returned a spade to dummy's ace, establishing West's spades. After cashing the fifth diamond, South took a heart finesse which worked, but since there was no way of returning to dummy to repeat the finesse he finished down one.

Later analysis revealed that he could have and should have made the contract. South erred at trick three, at the point when West failed to follow suit on the queen of diamonds. Instead of playing low from dummy, he should have won the queen with the king in order to be able to return a heart from dummy and finesse.

The finesse succeeding, declarer leads a diamond to the nine. East takes the jack and returns a spade, but South racks up nine tricks quite easily by cashing dummy's 10-6 of diamonds and repeating the heart finesse.

The suggested method of play is by no means based on a peek at East-West hands. Once West shows out on the queen of diamonds, South should realize that the contract is not negotiable unless he credits East with the king of hearts. Accordingly, he should overtake the queen of diamonds in order to make it possible to lead hearts twice from dummy.

## BENNET CERF

## Try And Stop Me

A midtown night club, determined to bar the weirdos from its premises, adamantly refused admittance to four unkempt, suspicious-looking characters, but had to submit apologies when they found it was a rock group they just had hired to open at \$20,000 a week.

"Sam Levenson has a neighbor whose doctor told him he couldn't see him for four weeks. "But I may drop dead in the meantime," protested the neighbor. "In that case," conceded the doctor magnanimously, "we'll cancel the appointment."

A Broadway columnist, honoring Britain with a visit, promptly, as is his custom, claimed that all the stories in circulation there had been "originated" by himself. "I am always being told my own stories," he lamented. An unimpressed London scribe summed it all up as "a plain case of the tale dogging the wag."

From the notebooks of Franklin P. Jones:

1. The easiest way to attract your wife's attention is by trying not to.  
2. An after-dinner speaker's few well-chosen words are usually scattered among a lot that aren't.



## Factographs

On ancient history, the Hellenes were the Greeks.

Anton Dvorak was the composer of "Humoresque."

The fastest measured speed for a snake is that of the black mamba.

An American of Japanese parentage is called a Nisei.

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## Calvin Britain, Columbus

### Parents Tour 'New' School

By JIM SHANAHAN  
BH City Editor  
More than 100 parents and faculty from Calvin Britain and

Columbus schools last night toured a building that the Benton Harbor district intends to convert into a new school for their upper elementary children. It's the Lake Michigan college building which LMC is vacating and preparing

to return to the Benton Harbor district. LMC has leased the property but has no further need for it, except the technical

center which the college will retain for two years. Supt. Mark Lewis said the district had considered other uses for the main campus building — a seventh and eighth grade center or a school for all ninth graders in the district to avoid split sessions at senior high. But these could avoid capital outlay of up to \$1.5 million and the district doesn't have the money.

Eventually, the campus might become part of a vocational school with the nearby Skill Center on Fair avenue, he added.

For the present, Lewis explained that Calvin Britain and Columbus will have an expected 1,172 elementary children next year, but room for only 730, excluding portable units.

By using the main LMC building for 370 children in grades four through six, all lower elementary children can be accommodated at their respective neighborhood schools of Calvin Britain and Columbus. Portable units now at Calvin Britain will be transferred to Columbus.

Columbus attendance area children this year are now distributed to six other schools because Columbus can't hold them.

The new plan retains the neighborhood school concept and will permit the district to launch an ungraded program for all K-6 children from Columbus and Calvin Britain.

Lewis conceded that the LMC building, across the street from Seely McCord elementary school, is just outside the Calvin Britain-Columbus areas. But it doesn't involve a walk over a mile for any child. "It's there and we have to put it to the best use we can."

#### SAFETY CONCERN

There would be no busing, a statement that produced concern from some parents because of safety. Lewis suggested parents form block patrols and said an attempt will be made to vary dismissal hours with junior high.

The safety worries were more from personal attack than traffic.

Lewis said under the ungraded program, "the youngster who is really in there pitching will make good progress and hopefully good teachers will be pushing the laggards on to greater achievement."

He called teachers the most important ingredient and said additional teacher training will be set up to acquaint them with the program.

Calvin Britain and Columbus are eligible for special state and federal funds because of low economic state of many residents.

Lewis said the possibility of a performance contract with a private firm was being investigated. The company contracts to provide at least a year's school growth in each subject or it doesn't get paid.

A visit to the Banneker school at Gary under a performance contract showed Lewis classrooms of "cheerful, active people."

He wasn't suggesting that "a private industry take over our schools" but perhaps apply its methods in a specific subject.

The new arrangement also offers the opportunity to hire a special attendance officer for Calvin Britain-Columbus. "Too many children miss up to 50 days of school a year and too many are tardy consistently."

Other special personnel might be a neighborhood agent for contact between home and school, a social worker or psychologist, and a testing officer or counselor to determine if the program is making progress.



VISIT CLASSROOMS: Benton Harbor Supt. Mark Lewis discusses future use of Lake Michigan college Britain avenue campus with Mrs. Frank Howard and the Rev. Donald Adkins. Lewis took parents and faculty from two elementary schools on tour of main classroom building which LMC is returning to Benton Harbor district. Immediate plans are for upper elementary grades from Calvin Britain and Columbus schools. (Staff photo)

## More Urban Renewal?

### Potential For Blight Worries St. Joseph

By BILL RUSH  
Staff Writer

Neil Berndt, chairman of the St. Joseph Planning commission, suggested last night that perhaps the city was due for another urban renewal program since parts of the city have potential for "becoming blighted areas."

Berndt's suggestion came at the annual meeting of the St. Joseph Planning commission held at Woodbine lodge in Riverview Park. The meeting was attended by City Manager Leland Hill, City Commission C. A. Tobias, and City Clerk Charles H. Rhodes.

Berndt said that in his travels through the city he has noticed that "parts of the beach area and the non-commercial downtown area" could eventually be areas of blight. Since the current urban renewal program is ending successfully, maybe another program should be started, he added.

Hill said the current urban renewal program is winding up after 10 years. "This program has resulted in little relocation of residents, but laws have changed and a new urban renewal program would probably force low-rent, government-

financed housing" to handle relocation, Hill explained.

#### SUPPORT NEEDED

City Commissioner C. A. Tobias, Jr. said any new urban renewal program must come from the people of St. Joseph and would require the support of the entire city.

Hill said the alternative to urban renewal would be to continue the city's inspection program which has shown "good progress" recently in correcting deficiencies in housing throughout the city. The question is — "do you want low-cost housing?" — Hill said.

Discussion then moved to traffic in the city. Berndt said the State Highway Department is set to build bridges over the Morrison channel and the St. Joseph river by Wayne street in 1972. But at the last planning commission meeting, Fred Krauss from the St. Joseph Improvement Association offered \$2,000 to finance another study of traffic to reanalyze plans for the size and location of the bridges, Berndt added.

Hill noted that the city commission voted Monday night to participate in a traffic origin-destination study directed by the State Highway Department. The study would include all of St. Joseph, and Hill suggested the \$2,000 be applied to the city's share which is \$2,690.10.

The commissions agreed the time has come "to review and upgrade present zoning laws. Gerald Hepler, St. Joseph director of the Department of Public Works, said the last zoning review was in 1961. One parking space per unit of housing is no longer efficient, since more families have two cars or company cars, he said.

WHAT TO DO  
Lee Selet of the planning commission then brought up a request by Richard Ludwig, St. Joseph real estate broker, to build efficiency apartments at 1117 Niles avenue. The city commissioners have returned the request to the planning commission on two occasions and "we don't know what you want us to do with it," he said.

Hill said the city commission authorized four units for Ludwig, but the planning commission recommended 12 units. The city commissioners thought parking plans weren't adequate for 12 units. Hill said, Tobias mentioned that Ludwig now plans low-cost efficiency apartments instead of two bedroom apartments. Ludwig has submitted floor and plot plans but the city commission wants to see his

plans for elevation, Tobias added.

Berndt said the city and planning commissions have had a problem of "miscommunication" and need to "work for better rapport." He described the meeting last night as a first step by commissioners toward a better understanding of what each other is thinking.

City Manager Leland Hill said the city commission faces problems that are political and practical, while the planning commission deals with practical problems, but what each does affects everyone in St. Joseph. Hill stressed the importance of independent thinking by planning commissioners.



NEW PRESIDENT: Lee Schwartz (above) will be installed as 1971-72 president of St. Joseph Planning Commission at a dinner Thursday at 6:30 p.m. at Tosi's restaurant. Other officers to be installed include: Ted Garelick, first vice-president; Larry Kronenberg, second vice-president; and Alan Canter, third vice-president. Outgoing president is Al Levin.

### Missing Rural Property Found In Paw Paw

PAW PAW — State police have found, in a courtyard at the high school here, a piece of property reported missing Tuesday by a rural Paw Paw man. The property is an out house. The shanty was put in the school courtyard, along with other items, by pranksters, state police said.

### Burkett Bids Low On 2 Benton Jobs

J.V. Burkett was low bidder on two Benton township water projects for which bids were opened Tuesday. Burkett bid \$47,357.40 on installation of 1,700 feet of 12-inch line along Nickerson avenue from Broadway to Colfax and 2,000 feet of 6-inch line on Tatelliff park subdivision.

Other bidders were Superior Home Builders \$58,397.50; Yerington & Harris \$62,182; and Henry Compton \$65,920. All of the contractors are from the Twin Cities except Compton of South Haven.

Wayne Stevens, township administrative assistant, said the contract will be awarded formally at the township board meeting June 1. But a notice of intent to award will be issued in a few days.



REV. EDWARD MONTGOMERY In familiar role

## America Can Solve Its Ills, Kiwanians Told

St. Joseph Kiwanians, celebrating the golden anniversary of their club, heard they can be part of what's right with America.

Nearly 200 Kiwanians from St. Joseph, Benton Harbor, South Haven, Kalamazoo, Portage and Bangor marked the

anniversary Tuesday at St. Joseph Holiday Inn. John G. Molhoek of Grand Rapids, governor of the Kiwanis International Michigan district, said there is a lot that's right with America. "We have problems, but America has the system to solve them. Let's look where we are," he said "then maybe we can get a better idea of where we have been."

Some have forgotten, he said, that the United States is the greatest nation in the world for respecting the rights of other countries.

Today 21,000 Kiwanians have dedicated themselves to public service in the spirit of 1776. "Remember," he said "our American government is the greatest political device ever erected for transmitting the desires of the majority of the people into policy and law."

Henry Gleiss, president of the Benton Harbor Kiwanis club, which sponsored the St. Joseph club back in 1921, advised the "younger" club to let the past go by and look to the future. "The thing that really made this country great and the thing that made Kiwanis great is that men of vision have looked to the future continually."

He gave the St. Joseph Kiwanians a motto to reach for: "Work for a better tomorrow."

as you think of your accomplishments over the past 50 years and what Kiwanis has done for the last 50 years and when somebody says you're great because you did this why don't you think at least under your breath "you ain't seen nothin' yet."

HISTORY REVIEWED  
Walter B. Laetz read the history of the club, from its first project to develop Kiwanis park from a ravine swamp to its present playground, its scholarship awards, its donation to the hospitals, founding of the Key club for high school young men and its sponsorship of a drug education program in the St. Joseph public schools.

Mayor W. H. (Duke) Ehrenberg praised the club for the development of Kiwanis park. He said he was one of the first to use the park when it was opened. All of these things (projects developed by Kiwanis) are real assets to our community, and I am proud to join with the citizens of this city in saluting you for 50 years of civic progress," the Mayor said.

The master of ceremonies, Myron Wolcott, researched newspaper files of the spring of 1921 and found as much strife as there is today — listing strikes, depression and other problems.

One of the highlights of the program was a concert by Andrews University singers un-



\$100 CAKE: Golden anniversary cake of St. Joseph Kiwanis club was auctioned for a centennial price. Toastmaster Myron Wolcott auctioned cake, got bid up to \$95.50, then bought it himself for \$100. Money will go to Kiwanis program for long term hospital patients. At left, Walter Laetz of St. Joseph club admires pastry. Seated next to him are Mr. and Mrs. Charles Fox of Detroit. (Staff photos)

der the direction of Dr. Rudolf S. Strukoff. President Lou Pinderski read a telegram from Harry Kimes the club's only charter member who is in Florida; Pinderski recognized Loren Troost for 45 years service.

Chairman of the banquet was Lawrence Seib. Harvey Johnson and Henry Hammerling led the club in songs.

## Death Comes At 97 For Popular Minister

The Rev. Edward Montgomery, 97, "grand old man" of Benton Harbor's ministers and of the Benton Harbor Exchange club, died early this morning in the Belmont Nursing Center, Harper Woods, where he had been since June, 1967.

The pastor emeritus of the First Presbyterian church on Benton Harbor and honorary pastor of the Fairplain Presbyterian church, the Rev. Montgomery had been a leader in community and civic as well as religious affairs since coming here in 1930 as pastor of the First Presbyterian church on Morton Hill. He resigned in 1947 at the age of 75 and became the associate pastor of the First Presbyterian church of Jackson.

FUND RAISER  
Returning to his home at 184 Western avenue, Benton Harbor, in 1952, he was involved in raising funds for the construction of the Fairplain Presbyterian church, completed May 1955. He preached the first sermon in that church and an addition completed in 1965 was named the Dr. Edward Montgomery Memorial Education building.

A veteran Benton Harbor Exchangeite, he was always a top ranking salesman in "The News-Palladium Exchange club's Christmas Goodfellow newspaper sale."

He was born Aug. 19, 1873, in Argyle, Ill. A graduate of Beloit college and McCormick seminary, he entered the ministry in 1905. He married the former Ethel Alice Sheldon, June 20, 1905. She preceded him in

death, Oct. 22, 1940. Before coming to Benton Harbor, he served in churches in Maroa, Ill., Miles City, Mont., Ft. Wayne, Ind., and Adrian.

He had served as moderator of the Western Michigan Presbytery and the Synod of Michigan and as chairman of the judiciary committee of the Synod.

Survivors include two daughters, Mrs. William (Harriet) Kaler of St. Clair Shores and Mrs. Margaret M. Caddy of Greensburg, Pa., one grandchild and a great-grandchild. Funeral arrangements are incomplete at the Florin funeral home.

Memorials may be made to the Edward Montgomery Memorial fund.

## SJ Woman To Head Society



MRS. DWIGHT EDMUNDS

The St. Joseph Valley chapter of the Society of Technical Writers and Publishers elected Mrs. Dwight (Jane) Edmunds of St. Joseph as chairman at its recent annual meeting held at Fidelman's restaurant, South Haven.

Mrs. Edmunds is associate editor of Consulting Engineer magazine.

Chairman-elect is William Lacy, publications supervisor, Health company; secretary, Leonard Menchinger, Graphic Services company; treasurer, Richard Lentz, manual production co-ordinator. Health company.

Elected to the board of directors are James Bowser, Burch Printers; John Greene, Paxson Advertising; George Blasy, Advertising Workshop; Marvin Sands, Lake Michigan college; and William Matthews and Mrs. Ruth Johnson, both from Health company.

On July 1, the STWP, which has approximately 2500 members nationally, will change its name to the Society for Technical Communications. The new name will reflect more closely the makeup of the society, with members in all areas of technical communications — printing and engraving, art, illustrating, advertising agencies, writing and editing, education, industry, and public relations.

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## Migrants Being Victimized?

### Farm Labor Service Investigated

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Labor Department is investigating charges its Farm Labor Service knowingly breaks wage, health and civil rights laws in referring migrant workers to farm jobs.

A month ago several hundred farm workers and department employees filed 1,500 pages of documents they said proved the

service was run for the good of growers—not the workers—and that it frequently violated the law.

"There is a real sincere dedication to get at the bottom of these charges," a Labor Department spokesman said Tuesday.

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"We have established a special review task force to consid-

er every complaint," he added.

The charges against FLS included accusations the service placed migrant workers on unsafe buses for lengthy journeys, recommended camps that violated state sanitation laws and minimum wage laws, and told migrants they could find work "around the corner" where unscrupulous employers waited.

Mario Obledo, executive director of the Mexican-American Legal Defense and Educational Fund, said he was encouraged by the Labor Department's initiation of its own probe.

The fund is convinced, Obledo said, "this will mean early termination of the Farm Labor Service. The violations of law by the FLS are so blatant that

the investigators, once they secure first-hand knowledge, will have no choice but to recommend immediate termination."

A lawyer with the Migrant Legal Action Program Inc., which helped prepare the April 22 petition, said "I think they are taking it seriously. They've got to come up with something. The problem is to keep the pressure on to show them we're not going to go away."

The petition contended the FLS, recently renamed the Rural Manpower Service, was so manipulated by large growers that it was beyond reforming. They proposed it be replaced by a job referral service run by the migrants themselves.

Jim Bailey, deputy director of the special review staff of the Labor Department, is in charge of the investigation.

A spokesman said Bailey will draw upon other personnel within the Labor Department for the probe and would conduct a substantial field investigation, possibly beginning within two weeks.

## Two Cleared Of Murder Charges

### Tests Show Pair Innocent

SOUTH HAVEN — First degree murder charges against two Benton Harbor men arrested in connection with the May 2 slaying of a Covert businessman were dropped Tuesday on a motion by the Van Buren county prosecutor's office.

Prosecutor William Buhl said that the results of polygraph tests administered to Carlos Elbert Fain, 31, and William Ray Cole, 47, led them to ask the Seventh District Court to dismiss the charges.

Fain and Cole were extradited to Michigan from Hayti, Mo., where they had been arrested a week ago on warrants charging them with the stabbing death of Joseph Swetay.

Both men claimed their innocence and the results of polygraph tests given them removed any doubts in our minds," Buhl said.

The tests were given the men Tuesday at the state police district headquarters in Paw Paw. Both were released later in the day from the Van Buren county jail where they had been held without bond.

Buhl said that both men presented physical evidence which proved they were not in the area of the Covert township store at the time of the murder.

The prosecutor admitted that there are no new suspects in the case. "The only thing we've gained is knowing that they (Cole and Fain) didn't do it," he said.

A \$500 reward has been offered by friends of the murder victim for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the persons responsible for the murder.

## BH Driver Ticketed For Wrong Turn

BRIDGMAN — A Benton Harbor driver, Daniel Strine, 24, of 677 1/2 Columbus, yesterday was issued a ticket charging an improper right turn in front of a school bus.

State police from New Buffalo said the school bus from South Bend struck the rear of Strine's vehicle when he turned in front of the bus on Red Arrow highway at I-94. There was no report of injuries and only minor damage to the two vehicles.

## Graduation Speaker Announced

DOWAGIAC —David Dominick, deputy assistant administrator for water programs, a division of the federal Environmental Protection Agency, will speak at Southwestern Michigan college's commencement exercises June 8, according to Dr. Stanley Hergenroeder, President of SMC.

The youngest high official in the agency, Dominick, 34, has been head of the water quality division since March, 1969. He serves directly under Presidential Advisor William Ruckelshaus. Before his appointment to the EPA, he served as a legislative assistant to U.S. Sen. Clifford P. Hansen of Wyoming.

"In view of the recent attention given to the preservation of our environment," stated Dr. Hergenroeder, "it is very fitting that Dominick deliver the address for commencement."

A native of Cody, Wyoming, Dominick graduated from the University of Colorado School of Law with a Juris Doctor degree in 1966 where he concentrated his legal studies in the water and natural resource areas. He



DISCUSSING HOME RULE STATUTE: Warren Gast, St. Joseph city commissioner and Chamber of Commerce vice president, left, and Lad Stacey, chairman of the Berrien County Board of Commissioners, center, discuss the possible effects of a proposed bill on county home rule with John L. Grubba, chairman of the Michigan Association of Counties Home Rule Study committee, who reported on the study at the Twin Cities Area Chamber of Commerce breakfast meeting yesterday.

## STREAMLINES GOVERNMENT

### County Home Rule Advantages Explained

Enactment of the proposed county home rule bill would make local governments more effective, more efficient and cheaper by consolidating public services, according to John L. Grubba, chairman of the Michigan Association of Counties Home Rule Study committee. He addressed some 40 persons attending a Twin Cities Area Chamber of Commerce breakfast yesterday at St. Joseph Holiday Inn.

Grubba, general counsel for the Michigan Association of Counties, gave the history of home rule form of government. He said the structure of local government today is based on the concepts embodied in the Northwest Ordinance, the State Constitution of 1850 and the Constitution of 1909. Under the State Constitution of 1909 home rule power was granted cities

and villages if the state legislature approved.

#### HOLDING BACK

Grubba said the 1963 Constitution adopted a new act that gave counties in Michigan the right to adopt the charter form of government, but not one county in Michigan has done so. The enabling statute prescribes one form of government for all counties regardless of size.

He said Representative Thomas J. Anderson (D), Southgate, is introducing a bill in the House of Representatives this week that would permit county voters to choose the form or type of government that best fits their area and needs.

Grubba said under the proposed county home rule bill local county governments will be able to reorganize their internal structure and consolidate public services if they desire to do so.

Under the charter form of government, counties would be able to levy more taxes, but Grubba said he felt voters would not complain about the increase in taxes if the government becomes more effective and delivers more effective and cheaper services. He said consolidation of public services in many areas could be more efficient and cheaper on a county wide basis if local governmental units would get over their struggle for power.

Grubba explained the end decision for the county charter commission is left with the people. Anderson's proposed bill would provide for the organization of charter counties; provide for the election of charter commissioners; prescribe their powers and duties; and prescribe mandatory and permissive provisions of a charter and provide for the repeal of certain statutes.

#### ANNUAL TAX

The charter of each charter county would provide for financing county government by an annual tax not to exceed 1 percent (10 mills) of state equalized valuation; from charges for services performed by the charter county to local governments; from the proceeds of the county's share of gasoline taxes and weight taxes on motor vehicles; from the county's share of all other state-collected locally shared taxes (this does

not include any taxes used for highway purposes or the constitutional local share of the sales tax); from any excise taxes and from any other sources of revenue as the charter shall provide which are available to cities, townships, villages and counties under the law.

## Mathews Is College Group Veep



DR. F.L. MATHEWS

DOWAGIAC — Dr. Fred L. Mathews, chairman of the board of trustees of Southwestern Michigan college, has been elected vice president of the Michigan Community College association.

The MCCA is governed by a 56-man board of directors comprised of the president and one trustee from each member Michigan Community college. Mathews has served as chairman of the SMC board since its founding in 1964.

#### SCHERER GOING PUBLIC

DETROIT (AP) — R.P. Scherer Corp., a Detroit-based manufacturer of gelatin capsules for pharmaceutical use, has announced plans to sell some of its stock to the public.

## Top Acts To Compete In District

### 4-H Winners In Talent Hunt

Four winning acts selected at the Berrien county 4-H talent show last Friday will compete in the 4-H District Talent festival in Paw Paw, Aug. 11.

The top group of acts from eight district events will be asked to share their talent at various county and state events during the next year.

The Berrien acts selected in the large group division were: Song and dance routine entitled "One Act" by Priscilla, Michelle, Otis, Leshia, Valerie and Fredia Joseph, from the A.M.E. 4-Helpers club of Benton Harbor; and a vocal called "Cindy" by Leshia Joseph, Linette Rockette, Marilyn Braxton and Rosette Robinson, also of the A.M.E. 4-Helpers club.

In the small group division, the following groups were selected for state-district competition: The Hawaii Five-O act by Laura Streifling and Caren Schutze, Fairland 4-H club of Niles; and "Time For Us" a vocal duet by Debbie and Brad Wendzel, Cribbs 4-H club of Watervliet.

Acts receiving honorable mention were: A vocal by Alvin Gray, 4-Helpers club, Benton Harbor; saxophone solo by Bill Shuler, South Lakers 4-H club, Baroda; coronet solo by Mike Zebell, Oakers 4-H club, Three Oaks; piano solo by Judy Knuth, Cribbs 4-H club, Watervliet; tap dance by Tami Beckman, Odds and Ends 4-H club, Coloma; modern dance by Sherri Lausman and Laury Sparks, South Lakers 4-H club, Baroda; and dramatic novelty act, Otis Joseph, 4-Helpers club, Benton Harbor.

A total of 28 acts were presented at the Berrien show involving over 60 4-H members. The show was held at the Eau Claire high school with over 200 persons attending. Host clubs for the event were Beaver Valley and Lazy-H 4-H clubs of Eau Claire. Chairmen were Mrs. Howard (Sally) Westlake and Mrs. Edward (Rita) Young.

## Routine Car Check Nets 2 Arrests

NILES — Two Wisconsin youths were held over night on charges of car theft after their arrests during a routine auto safety check by state police.

Michael LaFouche, 18, and Joe Gordon, 18, both of Milwaukee, were pulled aside by troopers yesterday in a check lane on M-60, near Pine Lake street. Both were driving 1968 Plymouths and neither could produce a driver's license, police said.

Further investigation showed that one vehicle lacked an ignition key and the second had a master key that would start both, police reported.

A check through LEIN (Law Enforcement Information Network) revealed the cars had been stolen earlier yesterday in Chicago.

The youths were booked in Cass county jail on charges of auto theft, possession of a master key and driving without an operator's license.



BUSINESS LOOP ADVANCES: The second phase of I-196 business loop through South Haven is underway with the widening of three-quarters mile of Phoenix street from downtown to freeway. First phase extending south 1.8 miles from center of town was completed last fall. Set to go under construction later this year is interchange at Phoenix street and I-196. Total cost of the project is \$2.8 million, paid by state highway department funds. (Aerial photo by Adolph Hann)

## 'THAT'S NOT NELSON' Trial Almost Starts Without The Accused

Trial Tuesday in Berrien circuit court for a man accused of carrying a pistol illegally in a car almost started with the wrong man at the defense table.

Trial had been scheduled for 9:30 a.m. but was delayed until 9:45 a.m. because the defendant, Hilton Nelson, 56, of 179 Lake avenue, Benton Harbor, failed to appear.

Then word arrived that Nelson was present, a man appeared at the defense table, and the case was announced ready for trial.

"That's not Nelson — that's his son," Benton Harbor Patrolman Robert Massengale told Quentin Fulcher, the chief assistant prosecutor, Fulcher related. Fulcher told Judge Chester J. Byrns, and the judge granted motions finding the senior Nelson in contempt for failure to appear, ordering his \$500 bond revoked and issuing a bench warrant for his arrest. The mix-up in defendants was unexplained.

## Wire Firm Promotes Niles Man

NILES — Jerome M. Jenkins has been promoted to sales manager of general wire products for the N.S. wire division of National-Standard company, according to William D. Pearce, vice president of marketing.

In his new assignment, Jenkins will manage the sales program for spring wire, metal wire, braided and other specially wire products of the N.S. wire division.

After joining the company in 1954, Jenkins worked for five years at the Athenia Steel Division, Clifton, N.J., as metallurgical engineer and quality control manager. From 1959 to 1963, he was located in Kansas City as a sales engineer for copper-coated steel wire used in communications. He was transferred to Niles in 1963 and was manager of new products sales until last year. He had been manager of Niles general products customer service and order entry operations prior to his recent promotion.

Jenkins attended Cornell University and received a bachelor's degree in metallurgical engineering in 1951. From 1951 to 1953 he was a research engineer at Bethlehem Steel company, Bethlehem, Pa.

Jenkins is a member of the American Management association and has been guest speaker at AMA seminars on new



JEROME M. JENKINS

product planning. His local memberships include the YMCA and Trinity Episcopal church, where he is junior warden. He and his wife, Helen, have three daughters and one son, and reside at 1431 Park Lane in Niles.

## Bike Thieves Are Busy In South Haven

SOUTH HAVEN — City police are investigating three separate reports of larcenies of vehicles.

Police said mini-bikes were reported stolen by Joseph Seiler, 327 Cherry street, and Ross Robinson, 418 Cherry street. Leon Steinmiller, 815 Superior street, reported the theft of a motorcycle.

## Cass Car Crash Kills Woman

CASSOPOLIS — A Vandalia woman was dead at the scene of a head-on collision between two cars this morning on M-60, just east of Cassopolis. Two other persons were critically injured.

The victim was identified by Cass authorities as Mrs. Dorothy Mitchell. She was the eighth victim in Cass county this year.

Mrs. Mitchell was a passenger in a car driven by her husband, Dwayne (Mitch) Mitchell. Both he and the second driver, Jerry Lechlitter, 24, of West State street, Cassopolis, were taken to Lee Memorial hospital in Dowagiac, where they were reported in critical condition late this morning.

Cass Sheriff's deputies said the Mitchell car, westbound on M-60, was passing other cars when it drove onto the south shoulder to avoid a collision with oncoming traffic.

The Lechlitter car, coming from the opposite direction, also drove onto the south shoulder and the two cars met head-on.

The accident occurred at 6:30 a.m. on M-60 in front of K and M Tool works. Lechlitter was alone in his car, police said. He was to be transferred to South Bend Memorial hospital late this morning.

## Veterans Install Officers

Bart Hadix has been installed as commander by Disabled American Veterans chapter 17, Benton Harbor.

Other officers installed were John Patterson, senior vice commander; Charles Baldwin, first junior vice commander; Carl Matson, second junior vice commander, and Cliff Platt, chaplain. Edward Tokarz was installed as service officer; William Doroh, treasurer; Tokarz, four year trustee; and Marvin Brant, adjutant. Executive committee members are Charles Tredor, with Matson as alternate.

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